



## **Czech Republic: Prague Bike and Boat**

### **July 22-29 2015 || 8 days/ 7 nights**

\$1999 PP, Twin cabin main deck

\$2199 PP Twin cabin upper deck with French balcony

The "Golden City" and the Rivers Moldova and Elbe. The Czech Republic, the small country in the heart of Europe, impresses with its original river landscapes, picturesque villages and romantic castles, whose history and architecture can often be traced back to the Middle Ages.

Prague, known also as "the Golden City" and "the City of a Hundred Spires", is both point of departure and final destination for this beautiful bike and barge tour along the Upper Moldova, in Czech called Vltava, and the huge Elbe River – when the bridges of the Vltava River are ablaze with sunlight and the spires of the castle sparkle in the light, then it becomes obvious that Prague has its nickname "Golden City" with good reason! Multifaceted and unique, modern and at the same time aware of tradition – discover one of Europe's most beautiful metropolis with its Old Town listed as UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The MS FLORENTINA moors close to the Charles Bridge and is therefore an ideal springboard for exploring this gorgeous city – the marvelously restored Market Place, the busy Wencelslas Square or the Jewish quarter are waiting for you. And you will not be missing out on good food – beer and roast pork with dumplings, just to name one of the many specialties – when you are on the move with your bike do not miss to have a break and quench your thirst with a original Czech amber nectar.



### **July 22: Arrival**

Arrive in Prague and transfer to your hotel

Overnight Prague

Meals: None

### **July 23: Walking tour in Prague**

Morning guided walking tour of Prague. Return to hotel and afterwards, brewery tour.

Embarkation on ship from 4-5pm. After dinner, take a stroll over the Charles Bridge, particularly beautiful in the dark, and enjoy the stunning view of the illuminated Prague Castle.

Lunch on your own

Overnight on board ship

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

### **July 24: Prague – Kralupy | Total biking 30km**

In the morning, you will be handed out your bike and start for your first cycle tour. You will cycle along the Vltava River via Troja (Baroque castle – National Art Gallery) to the village of Klecánky and then over the tread of the Vltava via Drasty, Vodochody back to the river bank to



today's destination Kralupy. Arrival of the ship at around 5pm.

Overnight on board ship

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **July 25: Kralupy – Mělník | Total biking 26km**

Excursion Nelahozeves (optional), Boat Trip to

Litoměřice/Leitmeritz. After breakfast, around 9am, we will take out the bike again. You will cycle – almost always along the

Vltava River – to Nelahozeves. Visit with us the birth house of Antonin Dvořák and one of the most famous Renaissance castles of Bohemia, also known as the “little Louvre of Czechia”

(optional). The tour takes you past the Veltrusý Park, with numerous sculptures and gazebos in an extensive terrain, up to the royal town of Mělník. Around about 1.30pm, return back to the ship and enjoy the boat trip on the Elbe River to Litoměřice.

Overnight on board ship

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **July 26: Litoměřice – Guided Walking Tour (optional)**

A day at leisure. On a guided walk (optional), you will have the possibility to discover one of the most beautiful Czech towns, the royal town of Litoměřice. The colorful Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque buildings in the town center, which for the most part is encircled by well-preserved Gothic fortifications, will enchant you.

Well-worth seeing: Baroque Cathedral of St Stephen atop the dome hill, the historic underground (extensive tunnel system) or the Bishop's residence. You might also be interested in a cycle tour to the Terezín Memorial (Theresienstadt) in the village of Terezín. The concentration camp memorial is located only 5 km away. The MS FLORENTINA will moor overnight in Litoměřice.

Overnight on board ship

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **July 27: Litoměřice – Roudnice – Mlčechvosty | Total biking 45km**

Cycle Tour Roudnice – Mělník – Mlčechvosty, approx. 45 km,  
Excursion Castle Tour and Wine Tasting (optional)

Early in the morning, the ship will take you to Roudnice. Your cycle tour starts at around 09:00am. Almost always alongside the Elbe, via Dobřín, Račice and Vliněves, you cycle back again to the lovely village of Mělník. On a guided walk (optional) enjoy the splendid panoramic view of the confluence of the Vlatwa and Elbe River from the top of the castle hill. Afterwards, taste the wine from the local vineyards, the only wine-growing area in Bohemia. You continue cycling to today's destination Mlčechvosty. Arrival of the ship at around 4:30pm.

Overnight on board ship

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **July 28: Mlčechvosty – Prague**

Early in the morning, the ship sails back to Prague. Arrival in Prague at about 12:30. The balance of the day is free to explore Prague a little further, according to Goethe "the prettiest gem in the stone crown of the world." Visit the Prague Castle with the Golden Lane, the Powder Tower, just meander along the streets or watch the lively goings-on sitting in one of the cafes on the Old Town Square. There are countless possibilities!

Overnight on board ship

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **July 29: Departure Day**

After breakfast, around 09:30am disembarkation and transfer to airport.

Meals: Breakfast

## MS FLORENTINA



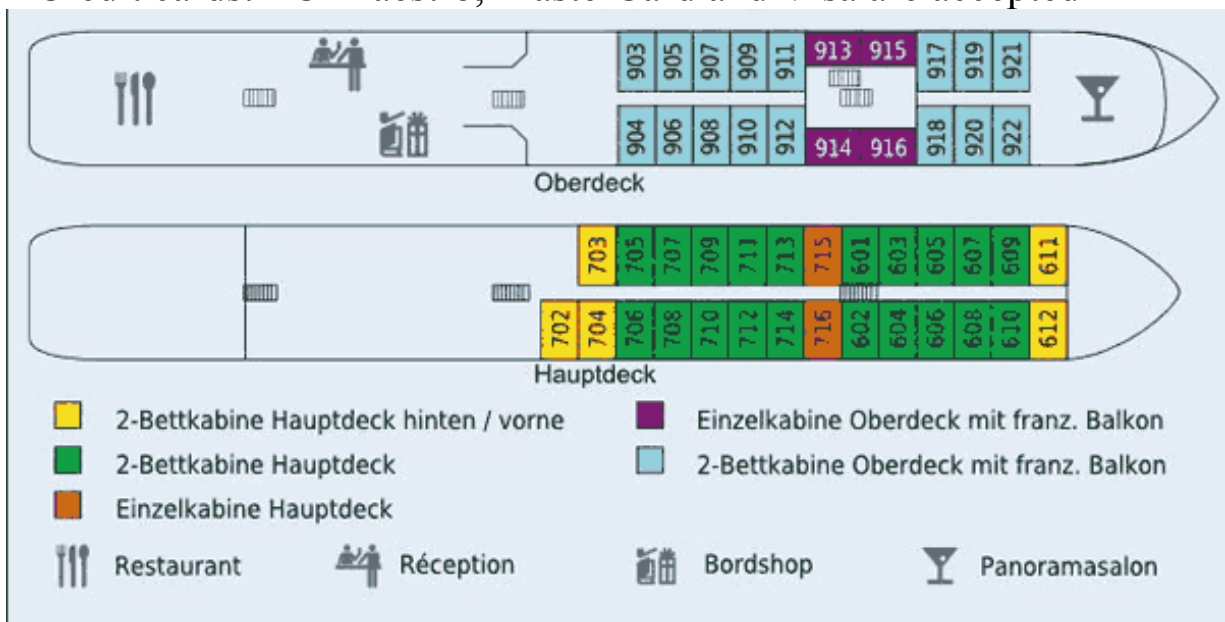
Built in 1980 and completely refurbished in 2008 and in 2012, the MS FLORENTINA is a cozy and comfortable middle-class ship. The Czech chef prepares national good home cooking which will be served in the bright, friendly restaurant with bar. Both the little lounge next to the reception and the observation saloon with its panoramic windows on the upper deck offer comfortable seating areas. Rest and relax you find on the deck chairs on the large sun deck. The ship features 16 twin cabins (approx. 10 sq m) and 4 single cabins (approx. 8 sq m) with French balcony (opening windows) on the upper deck, and 25 twin cabins (ca. 10 sq m) and 2 single cabins (ca. 8 sq m) on the main deck (windows cannot be opened). All 47 cabins are outside cabins and have en-suite shower facilities. They all also include individual climate control, hairdryers, TV's and safes. There is WIFI in the reception area (please note that the signal is not always available).





### Boat specifications:

- Year Built: 1980
- Passenger Capacity: max. 88
- Length: 80 m
- Beam: 9.6 m
- Draught: 1.5 m
- Height: 5 m
- On Board Currency: Euro
- Credit cards: EC-Maestro, MasterCard and Visa are accepted



## **Including**

- 6 nights in outside cabin with en-suite shower facilities in the booked category, 2 per cabin
  - 1 night Prague hotel, 4 star with breakfast included
  - 18 Meals as noted
    - 7 Breakfast buffets
    - 5 packed lunch for cycle tours or lunch snack
    - 6 three-course dinners
    - Coffee and tea in the afternoon
  - Brewery Tour of Prague(tastings included)
  - Guided walking tour of Prague
  - Private guide and tour escorts
  - Airport transfers on shared ride basis roundtrip
  - Biking tours
  - Welcome drink on the boat
  - Daily cabin cleaning
  - Change of bedding and towels
  - Daily briefing for the respective cycle tour
  - Maps and information material 1x per cabin
  - Ship Tour manager on board
  - Bike rental 7 speed unisex bicycle, with hand- and/or pedal brake, pannier bag\*
  - All port, bridge and lock fees
  - Lodging taxes and service charges
- \*\$125 Surcharge for E-Bike (must be booked in advance, limited number)

## **Not Included:**

- Bike Helmet (required)
- Gratuities for service staff
- Any expenses of a personal nature like alcoholic beverages, mini bar in rooms, laundry and telephone bills etc. and anything not specifically mentioned as "including"
- Meals and beverages where not included
- Beverages when lunch is off the boat
- Meals not mentioned above (before embarkation, and after disembarkation)
- Entrance fees and excursions where not mentioned as "including"

- City maps
- [Travel insurance](#)
- Airfare to/from Prague Czech Republic

### **Bikes**

Smooth-running 7 speed-unisex-city bikes made by KTM (custom built for our customers) with hand- and back pedal brakes or 7 speed freewheel hubs and with pannier bags. Electric bikes (limited number available – early booking required, \$125 surcharge).

### **Travel Insurance**

Our preferred travel insurance provider is [Travelex](#)

### **Trip Notes**

- Visa and Passports: Currently, U.S. citizens carrying a valid passport do not require a visa to enter the Czech Republic. It is your responsibility to verify you have all current required documents. See the US State Department website for travel information.
- Trip Insurance: We recommend you purchase travelers insurance as soon as you have booked your tour, as some travelers insurance policies must be purchased within 10 days of booking. Our preferred vendor is [Travelex](#)
- Ride Level: Moderate, you should have reasonable bike skills and an average level of fitness in order to fully appreciate and enjoy this tour.
- Biking Conditions: You will cycle on paved or asphalted cycle ways, on very lightly-trafficked agricultural roads as well as on unpaved trails leading through forests or fields. There will also be short legs along heavy-trafficked roads. The terrain is mostly flat, though there are some slopes to cope with.
- Embarkation: from 5pm
- Disembarkation: After breakfast, until 9:30am.
- Cycle Tours: individual and self-guided. You will cycle from 26 to 45 km (16 to 27 miles). The kilometres indicated for the cycle tours are approximate.
- Excursions: Optional excursions during the journey must be booked on board.
- Luggage on board: we recommend waterproof rain gear, bike



- helmet, sun hat and sports shoes.
- Special dietary needs: (e.g. lactose-free and gluten-free diet) on request and there will be an extra fee. Please inform us at least 14 days prior to departure. If necessary, some special dietary product must be brought along.
  - Alterations of schedule or program: subject to change. In the event that because of low or high water levels or adverse weather conditions a route cannot be taken, the captain reserves the right to change the route for your safety (this would not be a reason for fee-free cancellation).
  - For safety reasons sun deck access may be limited in times of high water levels/low bridge clearance.
  - Bicycles may sometimes be stored ashore overnight as a transport on the ship would not be possible due to low bridge clearance.

Please note for your tour planning that due to numerous locks, the ship will always be slower than a cyclist.

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